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1. The blast furnaces of the Vitkovice Klement Gottwald Iron Works, Vitkovice, are located to the east of Vitkovice, some 300 meters from the main Frydek-Ostrava road.
2. The blast furnaces employed 850 people, 300 of them being women. The women were chiefly employed in the plant management offices. The management employed 600 people altogether. The blast furnaces employed 30 brigade workers and 24 convicts from Kuncice.
3. Iron ore was imported from Poland, the USSR and it was also brought from Slovakia.
4. The production capacity of the furnaces was 3,700 tons per day of pig iron and 4,300 tons per day of coke. One-third of the iron was cast into plates and two-thirds went to the new steel works. The Five-Year Plan was being fulfilled by 82%.
5. A welder in the plant got 1,200 to 1,300 Kes. per month. His assistant got 1,100 Kes. net per month.
6. The manager of the entire Vitkovice Klement Gottwald Iron Works was Belvin (fau),
7. There were always two guards in the gatekeeper's room, armed with pistols. Sometimes these guards were women.
8. The majority of the workers took their meals at the new dining rooms, which were

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situated near the old steel works. Most of the employees were single or far from their homes, so they lived in living quarters belonging to the Vitkovice Klement Gottwald Iron Works.

9. There was about one hour of political education given twice a week in the plant.

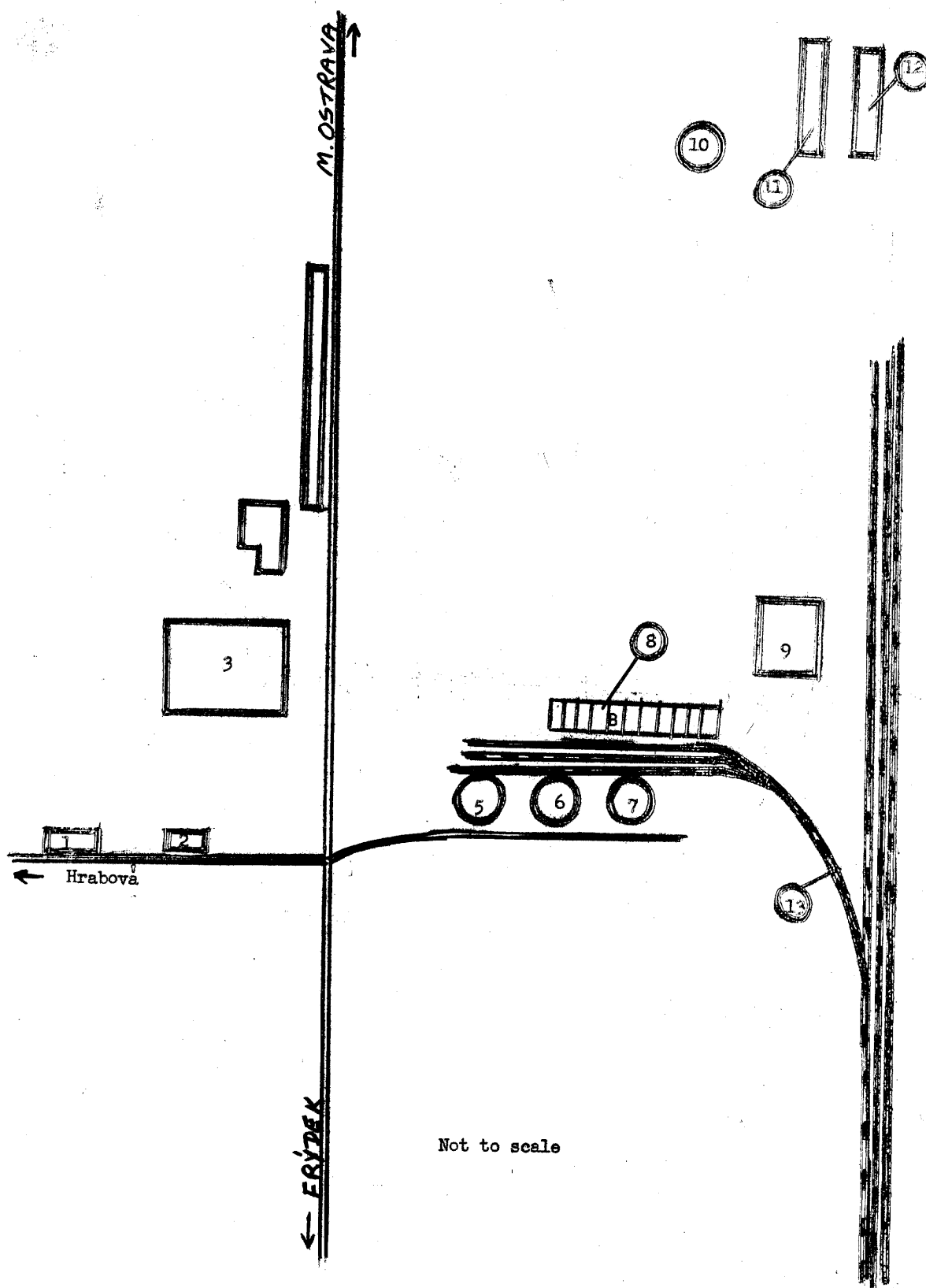
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Blast Furnaces, Vitkovice Klement
Gottwald Iron Works, Vitkovice



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Legend

1. Main cash office for all iron works at Vitkovice. A building 30 x 15 x 5 m. in size.
2. Bath for employees of the iron works, 15 x 10 m. large, one-story building.
3. Management of the whole Vitkovice plant. 150 x 150 m. large. Five floors.
4. Main laboratory, 30 x 30 m. large, one-story building.
5. Blast furnaces.
8. Coke ovens.
9. Gas container, approximately 12 m. in diameter.
10. Karolinska foundry.
- 11-12. Two units, 50 x 20 m. in size, each of 11 coke ovens.
13. Railway track of the plant.

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